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Allowable medical expenses and services used to reduce participation effective 11/22/2012.

This section of the manual has been updated to include changes made to WAC 388-513-1350 limited allowable medical expenses to reduce LTC participation.

- Expenses incurred more than three months before the month of the Medicaid application are not allowed as a long-term care participation reduction.
- Long-term care expenses for nursing facility care are reduced at the state rate for the facility that the client owes the expense to. We no longer allow the reduction at the private rate.

Additional language has been added to this section that clarifies if a client is on Healthy Options and chooses to go out of network for a covered item, that expense <u>is not</u> an allowable participation deduction.